



WATER MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

A WaterSense Labeled Program



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CLCA's Certification Program

- •First an only performance based landscape industry certification open to anyone
- •Established in 2005 from a recommendation to AB 2717
- Received the EPA WaterSense label in 2010 as an approved certification provider
- •Received the 2010 Sillicon Valley Water Conservation Award for Education



How CLCA's Certification Program Works

- •Participants must pass a 50 problem, multiple-choice, written test with a 70% or above
- •Participate or complete an irrigation catch-can test with an IA or CLCA Certified Water Manager™
- •Basic Managers perform water management to a budget and 80% ETo on at least one landscape site
- Expert Managers at least five landscape sites





CLCA Certification Facts

- •On average 8-10 trainings for contractors are held statewide per year from October – May
- •Specific clientele market is landscape contractors, average program participant is the midsized commercial maintenance contractor company
- •Part of the program we find is the most effective water management tool, the actual performance part





CLCA Certification Performance Measurements

CLCA looks at a few metrics to gage performance such as:

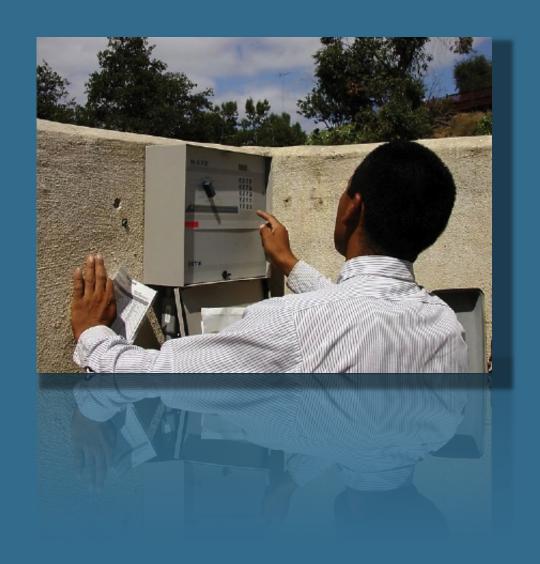
- Written Test Scores
- •Program Participants
- Number of Certified Individuals
- Managed Landscape Sites
- Participating Companies
- •Region of Participation

Current Certified	l Individuals					
Basic CWM Expert CWM	<u>June 1, 2011</u> 112 7	<u>June 1, 2012</u> 135 7	<u>June 1, 2013</u> 128 10	_	Dec. 31, 2014 137 22	
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CLCA Certification Obstacles

- •Attrition Rate with performancebased program +/- 10% annually
- Increasing the rate of participants that complete the management of at least on one site
- •Tailoring program curriculum to the mostly Spanish speaking irrigation technician market

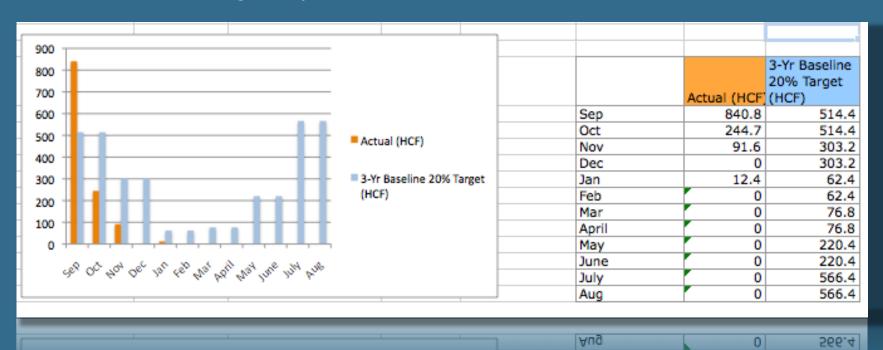




CLCA Certification Future Opportunities

Biggest Opportunities to Grow and Expand Program:

- •Creating workshops for other markets (Public, Property Managers, Water Agency Personnel etc.)
- More Regional Pilot Programs to Show Measurable
 Savings with the Cooperation of Water Agencies (SDGE/SDCWA Pilot Program)





CLCA Certification Future Opportunities cont.

Biggest Opportunities to grow and expand program:

Consumer Targeted
 Marketing and Events
 Promoting Landscape
 Water Management

 Recognition for Companies Practicing and Promoting the Program







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